



## OUT-OF-COUNTY BASED PARAMEDIC PRE-ACCREDITATION FIELD EVALUATION

### 5 Call Evaluation

Napa County EMS Agency requires all “out-of-county” employer based accrediting paramedic’s to be evaluated on performing five (5) ALS patient contact calls within Napa County. At the end of the field evaluation all forms and PCRs will be sent to the EMS Agency for further evaluation. If there are any questions after reviewing the forms the Napa County EMS Agency may contact the evaluator for clarification.

### Extension of the 5 Call Evaluation

The evaluator and/or the EMS Agency may extend the field evaluation process an additional 5 ALS calls, for a total of 10, when deemed appropriate. This would be when it is deemed that they needed more time to determine if the paramedic meets the passing standards.

### Pass/Fail Criteria

The purpose of the field evaluation is to determine if the paramedic is knowledgeable to begin functioning under the local policies and treatment guidelines. There are no specific guidelines on what is considered a pass or failed 5-call evaluation; it is up to the evaluator to make this determination using his/her best judgment. The Napa County EMS Agency Medical Director(s) will evaluate any candidate who does not successfully complete the field evaluation.

### ALS Contact Criteria

All ALS calls must be performed under the guidance of an EMS Agency approved preceptor/evaluator. The Napa County EMS Agency will only count ALS calls in which a paramedic assessed a patient and initiated direct ALS intervention. These skills include: IV/IO attempt, medication administration, cardioversion, defibrillation, intubation including King Tube, and destination decisions (trauma patients, burn patients, pediatric trauma patients, etc.). Patient contacts that do not result in direct ALS intervention will not be counted towards the required total (i.e. Interfacility transport of an ALS patient, base station contacts for AMA, etc.). Calls in which a paramedic only applies monitoring devices such as ECG and pulse oximetry do not count towards the total. Blood glucose determination, though it is an ALS skill; will not be counted towards a ‘contact’ if done without any other intervention.

Candidate's Name:					Evaluator's Name:
No.	PCR No.	Unit No.	Date	Time	Patient's Chief Complaint
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					

Rating Scale	Instructions
1. Frequently fails to perform procedure in a competent manner. 2. Inconsistent in performing procedures in a competent manner but is showing improvement. 3. Consistently performs procedure in a safe and competent manner according to established standards. 4. Performs procedure in an above average manner. N/A Not applicable. Did not perform skill.	<b>All ratings below a "3" must be explained in detail. Attach additional pages if needed.</b>  Candidate "fails" the call if evaluator must intercede to protect the patient or personnel.  Candidate "fails" the call if treatment is inappropriate.

EVALUATION FACTORS					
EVALUATION AND CONTROL OF SCENE	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5
1. Determines safety for self and adequacy of work environment (light, space, etc.).					
2. Initiates appropriate crowd control.					
3. Requests additional assistance and equipment (police, paramedic units, etc) when necessary.					
4. Establishes and maintains rapport with patient and bystanders.					
PATIENT ASSESSMENT SKILLS	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5
5. Performs a complete primary assessment (60 seconds) and intervenes immediately <u>Primary survey:</u> Environment ABC's Skin Vitals Chief Complaint					
6. Obtains relevant and accurate patient history, medications and allergies in a systematic manner (secondary assessment).					
7. Performs an appropriate physical examination when indicated.					
8. Recognizes patients that need further medical attention, determines appropriate mode of transport (ambulance, private car, etc.) And transports at appropriate point in run.					
9. Recognizes the need to make base hospital contact.					
10. Obtains accurate vital signs in a timely manner when indicated.					
11. Recognizes dysrhythmias.					
12. Interprets assessment information correctly and takes appropriate action.					

<b>Candidate's Name:</b>					
COMMUNICATION SKILLS	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5
13. Accurately reports all pertinent information in a systematic manner.					
14. Speaks clearly and concisely.					
15. Repeats all orders and reports patient response to therapy.					
16. Keeps accurate, complete and legible written records.					
17. Anticipated orders, anticipates the needs of other team members.					
18. Establishes appropriate working relationship with all team members (i.e. fire, police, and ambulance personnel).					
19. Assumes leadership role and directs team members appropriately.					
20. Communicates information appropriately to all team members.					
21. Performs well under stress, uses good judgment.					
22. Is able to accept constructive criticism and guidance.					
TREATMENT SKILLS (Performs according to treatment guidelines)	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5
23. Pacing.					
24. Atrovent administration.					
Comments:					
Evaluator's Signature:			Date:		
EMSA Approval Date:			EMSA Approved By:		